

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Favorable consideration of this application as presently amended and in light of the following discussion is respectfully requested.

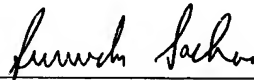
The present application is a divisional of co-pending parent U.S. Patent Application No. 10/208,980, filed August 1, 2002. In that parent application, a restriction requirement was set forth and Claims 1-6 were non-elected and subsequently canceled.

This new divisional application further pursues those canceled Claims 1-6. Thereby, Claims 1-6 are pending in the present application. Claims 7-10 are canceled by without prejudice the present amendment, in response to the previous restriction requirement.

Accordingly, an action on the merits is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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